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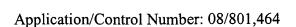
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MISCELLANEOUS ACTION

Response to Amendment

- 1. The reply filed on July 23, 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The new claims, particularly new claims 35-39, appear to be directed to a patentably distinct invention which has not been examined. These claims should be amended so that they are directed to the invention previously examined in this application (i.e., a method of cutting a substrate). To expedite matters, applicant may send a supplemental amendment via fax to the fax number for formal papers listed below. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE** (1) **MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).
- 2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Clark Dexter whose telephone number is (703) 308-1404. The examiner's typical work schedule is Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and he can be reached during normal business hours on these days.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Allan Shoap, can be reached at (703)308-1082.



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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703)308-1148. The fax numbers for this group are: formal papers - (703)305-3590; informal/draft papers - (703)305-9835.

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